

## **Main Street Reisterstown Program Minutes**

**Location/Date:** Reter's Crabhouse, Reisterstown - November 19, 2012

**Attendees:** Amy Mantay, Glenn Barnes, Mary Molinaro, Calvin Reter, Irwin Kramer, Shirley Smith, Kathy Gambrell, Paul Davalos, Dan Carey

Amy opened the meeting saying that the county agreed to post the minutes from our Main Street Maryland meeting. There will be a place on the county website that will be made available for the Reisterstown Main Street Maryland project. She may be able to add a calendar of events for promotion. Everything will have to fit within the template of the current website. Mary sent the minutes from our last 5 meetings in PDF form so they can be uploaded.

Amy brought maps that had been printed for our area that will need to be pieced together showing each property and identifying the business on each property. Mary and Kathy will work together to review and add any missing names. Calvin took the 2<sup>nd</sup> set for Glenn to keep at our RIA meetings. Amy also shared a map of the "National Register Historic District" area overlapping the "Commercial Revitalization Area" so we can identify the properties that are part of our work.

Mary shared an email she received describing a meeting planned in December about a proposed Program Open Space (POS) in the Mays Chapel area to see if we can have a discussion and inclusion of the Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks at our meetings. Patrick McDougall is a Planner in the department and Amy will speak with him. Calvin pointed out that they have a big presence in Reisterstown with Hannah More Park.

We discussed the various properties and activities currently in Reisterstown. Mary also shared copies of the Chartley Homeowners Association (CHA) e-Chatters that is being sent monthly to their members because there is an article in each that promotes stores or restaurants on Main Street. So, we should add community associations that prepare newsletters to the Media group on the Stakeholders chart encouraging them to talk about Main Street.

Amy distributed the Stakeholder list she prepared after the last meeting and we discussed anyone else that needs to be added to the list. We also discussed and created a list of events that occur in Reisterstown each month throughout the year. Everyone was asked to look at each group in the area to see if we can add any other events to advertise for the area.

The initial list included:

January –

February – ROMG Chamber of Commerce Charter Night (dinner/dance)

March -- Sons of Italy Sacred Heart Spaghetti Dinner

April –

May – Bloomin’ Arts Festival (same weekend as the Preakness) at Middle School

June –

July –

August – CHA National Night Out celebration, CCEAC National Night Out celebration (1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday)

September – Reisterstown Festival at Hannah More Park, Corn Roast at Tom Reynold’s Farm

October – Haunted Woods – Association for Animal Rights and Adopt a Pet

November –

December – 1<sup>st</sup> Historic Glyndon House Tour

In 2012, RIA hosted 3 “Music on Main Street” events in September and October and are planning 10 more events in 2013 across Summer and Fall.

Bob Frank has the Reisterstown Theatre Project. There are “Concerts in the Park” throughout the summer at Hannah More Park.

Amy said that we will start our efforts with the Mission Statement of RIA and then after the town hall meeting work further on this topic.

Paul said that ROMG Chamber of Commerce Economic Committee has been discussing our efforts to date and is completely supportive of the project.

Amy said she will be pulling and using some of the work that was prepared at the 2 day workshop in 2010. Mary commented that it would be great as that was really the start of the newest effort in town. Amy will be looking from the perspective “what is the draw??” “how do we accomplish it” Once the town hall day is chosen, we may want to have an event like “an ice cream social” the weekend before to help get the word out to the community.

The next meeting will be held at Reter’s Crabhouse, Monday, November 26th at 10am.